

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-7, 14 and 16-20 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 8-13 and 21-26, which were previously withdrawn from consideration, are canceled.

The August 20, 2003, Quayle Action indicates that claims 1, 3-7, 14 and 16-20 are allowed and requests claims 8-13 and 21-26 be canceled or some other appropriate action be taken. By this Amendment, the claims that had been withdrawn from consideration are canceled. Accordingly, only allowed claims remain pending in the application. As only allowed claims remain pending in the application, and there are no outstanding issues under §112, §102 or §103, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of claims 1, 3-7, 14 and 16-20 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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